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March 25, 2008



The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

Attention: STB Ex Parte No. 677

Common Carner Obligation of Railroads

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Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed are the original and ten copies of the American Chemistry Council's Notice of Intent to Participate in this proceeding. ACC is requesting time to speak at the Board's public hearing on April 24, 2008.

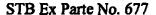
Sincerely,

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## BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



## COMMON CARRIER OBLIGATION OF RAILROADS

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

The American Chemistry Council (ACC) is filing this Notice of Intent to Participate in accordance with the Notice of Public Hearing that was served by the Surface Transportation Board on February 22, 2008. ACC represents the leading companies engaged in the business of chemistry. ACC members apply the science of chemistry to make innovative products and services that make people's lives better, healthier and safer.

Representing ACC will be its President & CEO, Jack N. Gerard. We request 15 minutes on the hearing agenda. Mr. Gerard will address the transportation of chemical products, including hazardous materials, and other topics that relate to the rail common carrier obligation.

If the Board has any questions about ACC's participation in the hearing, I can be reached at 703-741-5172 or tom\_schick@americanchemistry.com.

Respectfully submitted

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